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Big Thicket National Preserve Closes Due to Hurricane Ike

The Preserve will be closed to public use and entry from 10:00a.m. Thursday, September 11, 2008 until further notice. This temporary closure is for public protection during the landfall of Hurricane Ike along the Texas coast. The closure includes all of the Preserve's facilities and all land and water areas within the boundaries of the Preserve.

Closure is by order of the Superintendent under the authority of Title 36 Code of Federal Regulations 1.5 (a) (1). Violation of this order is punishable by fine of up to \$5,000 or imprisonment for up to six months, or both.